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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED MAY 21 RESOLUTION WITH MOLTRECHT ON JUNE 25. MOLTRECHT FORCEFULLY DENIED ALLEGATION THAT HE BELIEVES DEBATE ON RESOLUTION INDICATES THAT LATINS DO NOT FAVOR NON-REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP. HE ALSO DENIED SENDING CABLE OR ANY OTHER COMMUNICATION TO THIS EFFECT TO OTHER NON-REGIONALS. MOLTRECHT BELIEVED THAT THE LATIN REPS WHO RAISED PROBLEMS DURING MAY 21 DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTION DID SO CHIEFLY BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT WELL PREPARED ON SUBJECTS WHICH WERE INHERENTLY COMPLEX. THIS WAS NOT FIRST TIME THIS HAS HAPPENED IN COURSE OF NON-REGIONAL ACCESSION NEGOTIATIONS, AND MOLTRECHT INDICATED IT DID NOT BOTHER HIM. HE DID NOTE THAT HE HAS ALWAYS DETECTED SOME HESITANCY BASED ON MORE SUBSTANTIVE GROUNDS ON THE PART OF ONE OR TWO LATIN MEMBERS, BUT THIS TOO HE HAS ACCEPTED AND TRIED TO DEAL WITH.

2. MOLTRECHT TOLD US THAT AFTER THE MAY 21 GOVERNORS MEETING HE WORKED WITH IDB MANAGEMENT IN DRAFTING THE PROTOCOL DESCRIBED IN PARA 4 REFTL. DURING THE MEETING WITH NON-REGIONAL REPS, HE JOINED THE IDB MANAGEMENT IN TRYING TO REASSURE SOME OF THE LESS WELL-INFORMED NON-REGIONAL REPS THAT NOTHING IN THE MAY 21 DEBATE OVER THE RESOLUTION SHOULD INHIBIT STEPS BY THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO OBTAIN PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL FOR IDB MEMBERSHIP.

3. MOLTRECHT UNDERSTANDS THAT IDB MANAGEMENT WILL SEND A REQUEST TO ALL NON-REGIONALS WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS ASKING THEM TO SPEED UP INTERNAL ACCESSION PROCESS WITH AIM OF BEING IN A POSITION TO JOIN IDB BY END OF 1975 RATHER THAN IN FIRST HALF OF 1976. PURPOSE OF THIS SPEED-UP IS TO SET UP SEPARATE NON-REGIONAL FUND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO THAT IT CAN BE USED AS BASIS FOR BORROWING ON CAPITAL MARKETS. FRG STRONGLY SUPPORTS THIS EFFORT BY IDB MANAGEMENT.

4. FRG ECONOMIC COOPERATION MINISTRY IS COMPLETING DRAFT LEGISLATION AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS REGARDING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FRG MEMBERSHIP. THIS PACKAGE IS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION BY CABINET IN AUGUST AND WILL THEN BE PRESENTED TO BUNDESRAT (UPPER HOUSE) IN SEPTEMBER. ALTHOUGH SOME UNCERTAINTY CONCERNING TIMING STILL EXISTS, MOLTRECHT'S GOAL IS TO OBTAIN FULL FRG LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE APPROVAL BY THE END OF 1975.

5. MOLTRECHT IS CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF

DELAYS AND CONFUSION IN CAPITALS OF OTHER NON-REGIONALS,
IF US EMBASSIES INDICATE TO HOST GOVERNMENTS THAT
FRG IS HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT IDB MEMBERSHIP.
ACCORDING TO MOLTRECHT, THE JAPANESE AND ITALIANS IN
PARTICULAR WOULD NEED TO HAVE ONLY A HINT OF GERMAN
HESITANCY TO STOP AT ONCE THEIR OWN INTERNAL APPROVAL
PROCESSES. WE ASSURED HIM THAT WE WOULD CONVEY HIS
CONCERN AT ONCE TO WASHINGTON AND TO OUR EMBASSIES
IN NON-REGIONAL CAPITALS.
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